Yoshino cherry trees outside the D. H. Hill Library, planted by library staff during the library centennial in 1989/1990.

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NEW LIBRARY PERSONNEL

The NCSU Libraries is pleased to announce the appointment of Eleanor M. Smith as reference librarian for physical and mathematical sciences, effective January 2, 2001. Smith joins the Research and Information Services Department, where she will provide general research services at the reference desk, via electronic mail, and in consultation with individual library users. She will also design and conduct classes and seminars and develop instructional materials and guides in print and electronic format. Smith works closely with the faculty, staff, and students of the College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences and plans responsive and innovative client-based information services.

Smith graduated in December 2000 with an M.L.S. degree from UNC-Chapel Hill. Additionally, she holds an M.S. and Ph.D. in nutritional biochemistry from Cornell University. Smith received a B.S. degree in nutrition and dietetics from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

While working on her degree in Chapel Hill, Smith worked as an intern at the National Institutes of Environmental Health Sciences in the Research Triangle Park and served as a faculty assistant at the School of Library and Information Science. Smith was a research support specialist in environmental and resource economics at Cornell University.

Smith received the Margaret Ellen Kalp Fellowship while attending UNC-Chapel Hill and the North Carolina Special Libraries Association’s 2000 Sara Aull Student Paper Award. She is active in professional organizations. ❖
James B. Harper joined the NCSU Libraries as librarian for interlibrary and document delivery services on January 16, 2001. Harper oversees operations of the Interlibrary and Document Delivery Services unit of the Access and Delivery Services Department. He works to provide innovative customer-focused, cost-effective delivery services and participates in policy development related to resource sharing. Harper will evaluate and revise delivery services work flow and search methodologies and will implement new technologies. He also serves as a liaison to the Triangle Research Libraries Network for delivery services issues.

Harper served as document delivery and reference librarian at Furman University for the past two years, where he planned, implemented, and supervised services provided by the ILL/Document Delivery Department. Harper had previous appointments at the NCSU Libraries and the Greensboro Allied Health Education Center Library at Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital.

Harper received an M.L.I.S. degree from UNC–Greensboro and holds a B.A. degree in English from that institution. He is an active member of professional organizations and has served on a variety of committees, including the TRLN Document Delivery Committee. ♣
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